

LAUTERBACH'S WIFE SAYS THEY HAVEN'T PARTED

Lawyer Also Declares There Is No Foundation for Report of Separation.

Edward Lauterbach, the lawyer, who has been living for the past week at the Republican Club, today returned to his apartment in the Hotel Savoy. His residence at the club gave rise to a report that he had separated from Mrs. Lauterbach owing to family disagreement over their children—two married daughters, one unmarried daughter, Miss Alice Lauterbach, and a son, Alfred Lauterbach.

The report was given further strength by the fact that Miss Alice Lauterbach is living with one of her married sisters, her going from the Lauterbach home being coincident with Mr. Lauterbach's securing a room at the Republican Club.

Story Told by Wife.

To an Evening World reporter Mrs. Lauterbach said today: "Mr. Lauterbach and I have had a slight misunderstanding in regard to our policy toward our children, but there was never any hint of a separation."

Mrs. Lauterbach denies having given the interview printed in the morning newspapers.

Mrs. Lauterbach was found in the Lauterbach apartment at the Hotel Savoy with her son Alfred, who is associated with his father in the practice of law at No. 22 William street.

Mr. Lauterbach was at his office today, and upon his desk was a request from his wife that he call her up on the telephone.

"I will be back at my apartment in the Hotel Savoy to-night," said the lawyer. "I never dreamed that my home was under such close scrutiny as it appears to be."

"In a few words I can tell it all. Mrs. Lauterbach has been nervous and I have been out of sorts. We had a slight disagreement, an unfortunate circumstance which made a temporary embarrassment, and which requires no outside irritation.

Why He Went to Club.

"There was a small difference between Mrs. Lauterbach and her daughters. I went to the Republican Club because I have a lot of business cards and I desired to keep my head. I shall return home this evening, as I find that I have only made the situation worse. Mrs. Lauterbach has my highest esteem, and if the public will let us alone the small family matter which disarranged our home will adjust itself."

Mr. Lauterbach is engaged in preparing a defense for F. Augustus Heinze, strengthening out the affairs of E. R. Thomas and other important litigation.

GOT \$25 HE DEMANDED BUT POLICEMAN GETS HIM.

Herman Danksy, a nineteen-year-old youth, living at No. 138 East One Hundred and Tenth street, was accused in the Harlem Court today by Jacob Rothner, an aged man, of No. 3 West One Hundred and Eighteenth street, of extortion. Rothner said that Danksy had approached him yesterday and demanded \$25 for no defense of a friend of his, Julius Roth, who was accused of larceny.

Rothner declined to give him the money and Danksy threatened to implicate the old man's son, Benjamin, in the larceny case. Mrs. Dora Cohen, a friend, who was visiting the Rothners, heard Danksy's conversation and asked him to wait while she went out to get the money. When she returned it was with Detective Totten, of the West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station. The detective told him the money was passed to Danksy and a receipt exonerating Benjamin Rothner handed over. Then Danksy was arrested. Magistrate Walsh held him for trial in bonds of \$100.

NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTION.

Legislature Dissolved and General Appeal to Voters Set for March 3.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 24.—Lieut.-Gov. Lemuel J. Tweedie dissolved the Legislature last night and ordered a general election on March 3. Hon. James Barnes, member of the cabinet without portfolio, has resigned his office, and will take up immigration work.

The election is expected to be one of the most closely contested ever held in the province. Premier Robinson (Liberal) is opposed by the entire conservative party and by an element in the Liberal party on the north shore.

Get Busy, Mr. Stork! This Letter Is from Wee Gussie Brewster

Tiny Miss Wants a Baby Brother Right Away, but Be Careful Not to Leave Him While She's at School, for Then Her Mamma Will Claim Him.

AND PLEASE BE SURE HE HAS BROWN EYES.

His Hair Must Be Dark, Too, or Else Nobody Will Believe that He Really Is Her Brother—Did You Get All the Sugar She Put Out for You?

Though we must admit that Mr. Stork, of New York, is about the busiest man in America save, perhaps, Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, of Washington, if he reads the appeal of little Miss Gussie Brewster he should surely bestir himself and render her the tiny baby brother her heart yearns for.

Gussie's appeal was addressed to "Mr. Stork, care of The Evening World," and The Evening World promptly sent an emissary to the little miss to assure her that it would do all in its power to plead her cause with Mr. Stork. This is the letter The Evening World felt it would be a crime to neglect and cast aside, worded just as Gussie worded it in her big, round, but splendidly clear hand.

"New York, 257 W. 111th st., Jan. 22, 1908.

"Dear Mr. Stork: "Please send me a nice baby brother. I am waiting for it so long, it must have brown eyes and black hair, because my mother and father and I have, but don't make a mistake and send me a different kind because it won't look like my brother, nor will it look like any one in our family."

"Kindly do not send too because I only want one brother. I will take good care of it, it will be dressed warm and nice in the winter and cool and nice in the summer. My mother and the rest of the family will go to the country and take it along."

"I put three pieces of sugar out on the window and I looked out to see how many were left and there were two left, you don't take them all? "Please send the brother at 9 o'clock Saturday morning, because if I am not here when it comes my mother will say it is mine—but I want him too. Send it very soon."

"GUSSIE BREWSTER.

Miss Gussie Very Much in Earnest.

The reporter who was entrusted with the important duty of consulting with Miss Gussie Brewster over her letter found her in her parents' apartment at No. 257 West One Hundred and Eleventh street. As her mother was away she solemnly shouldered the burden of the interview. They were broad, plump little shoulders, carrying a solid, rosy-cheeked little head in which shone two large brown eyes—eyes in which there is all that unfathomable depth of wonder and mystery that lifts the child to a place among the blessed and sublime.

She was wholly serious about the letter to Mr. Stork, and the reporter had only to mention it to see the brown eyes light up and a warm flush of excitement glow in the round chubby cheeks.

"Have you brought it with you?" she asked excitedly.

The reporter struggled to frame an adequate apology, and as he was bounding badly the little miss of nine came to his assistance with a wistful:

"Well, I suppose you had to call and see if the address was right. But you really must bring me that baby brother if you can get one."

"And did you really write all that letter yourself?" she was asked.

The big eyes grew round with surprise at the implied suspicion. Likewise the restraint of embarrassment broke from her.

"Yes, I wrote all the letter by myself," she said, folding her hands and dancing her feet on the carpet as she sat on the edge of the sofa. "I was all alone when I wrote it. I gave it to mamma to post for me, but I don't think she opened it. I don't think she would do anything like that."

Her Girl Chum Got a Brother.

"I sent the letter because another little girl sent one to The World, oh!



GUSSIE BREWSTER.

several months ago. And she got a baby brother, too—a fat one, but it had light hair. I want mine to have brown hair and be like me, so that people will know he's my brother without having to ask.

"Mamma says I had a baby brother once, but I never saw him. Now, on reason I want a brother is that my father is in the juvenile clothing business. He makes suits for little brothers, so if I had a little brother he could have lots of nice warm suits, or cool ones when it is hot. I know lots of little girls that have brothers, and I don't see why I can't have one. I can, though, can't I? You will see that Mr. Stork gets my letter."

The reporter evaded an answer by asking why Miss Gussie had put the sugar on the window.

"A little girl at school told me to do that," the child replied. "She did it, and got a baby sister, but she only put two lumps out. So I thought if I put three lumps on the window I would get a brother. At first the sugar was not very fresh, and Mr. Stork took only one lump. But just night I put out three fresh lumps, and they were all gone this morning. That means he got enough, doesn't it?"

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"Gussie's Mamma Enjoys It."

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The reporter said nothing but handed Mrs. Brewster the letter. The mother read a few lines and burst into a fit of laughter. She is a big, jolly young woman with the heartiest imaginable out of a laugh. The father, who is a doctor, broke in on another part of her mother's laughter.

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Victims Were Buried Under a Wall While Fighting the Flames.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 24.—Fire early today took heavy toll of the members of the Fire Department of this city, three being dead and sixteen others more or less seriously injured. The list of the latter includes the name of George Hoston, Chief of the Fire Department, who is in a serious condition. The dead are Lieut. Frederick Harman, William B. Smith and Charles Freeman.

The financial loss is estimated by Mayor J. Barry Mahool, who was early on the scene, at \$100,000.

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nachinists. Upon these three the heavy losses fall. The fire had apparently been burning some time before it was discovered. The first alarm was quickly followed by a general alarm, which brought most of the fire apparatus in the city to the scene. A strong wind from the north-west and a very low temperature made the work of fighting the fire more than ordinarily difficult and the flames spread very rapidly.

In an incredibly short time after the blaze broke out of the windows on the Saratoga street side of the Register building, and without the slightest warning, a large section of the north wall of the building fell. It was this that scattered death and injuries among the firemen, who were working close to the building. The mass of bricks also put out of commission an extension ladder truck upon which some of the men had been working.

MUST TAKE \$5 OR NOTHING.
Court Upholds Mayor in Fixing Pay of Sewer Commissioners.

Dr. Daniel Lewis, who was Chairman of the Metropolitan Sewer Commission, until he was removed by Mayor McChesney, Prof. O. H. Landreth, dean of the school of engineers at Union College, and A. J. Provost, the other two members removed by the Mayor, today applied through their counsel, former Judge Rufus B. Cowing, to Justice Leventritt, in the Supreme Court, for a writ of peremptory mandamus directing Mayor McChesney to fix a rate per diem compensation for them for their services on the commission.

Justice Cowing said that, since the order to appear in this motion was served on the Mayor he had fixed the rate of compensation, but had fixed it as \$5 per diem, which, he said, was absolutely and justifiably inadequate.

Assistant Corporation Counsel O'Brien said that the special act creating the commission gave the Mayor the power to fix rates of compensation, and that his decision was final.

Justice Leventritt took that view, and the removed Commissioners will have to accept \$5 or nothing at all.

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